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January 27, 2010

Pancho Chavez, Branch Manager Wells Fargo Bank, Northwest N.A. 326 South Main Street Milford, Utah 84751

Subject: <u>Authorization for Partial Release of Reclamation Surety, Certificate of Deposit, Basin</u>

Perlite, Pearl Queen, M/001/0027, Beaver County, Utah

Dear Mr. Chavez.

Wells Fargo is presently holding a Certificate of Deposit # and Certificate of Deposit # for the benefit of the State of Utah, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining as a form of reclamation surety for Basin Perlite, Pearl Queen project. At the company's request and after site inspections to verify that reclamation work has been satisfactorily completed, this letter will authorize reduction of the face value of the Certificate of Deposit # to no less than \$ 57,700 dollars and the total release of Certificate of Deposit #

When this transaction has been completed, please supply the Division with an amended CD showing the new amount of \$57,700.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Dana Dean at 801-538-5320, or Paul Baker at 801-538-5261. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

John R. Baza Director

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c: Basin Perlite 1400 16th St Ste200, Denver, Colorado

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From: John Blake
To: Tom Munson
CC: Tom Faddies
Date: 1/26/2010 9:09 AM

Subject: Partial Bond Release Concurrence; Pearl Queen Mine

Mr. Tom Munson, DOGM:

The Trust Lands Administration concurs in the partial release of reclamation surety in the case of the Peral Queen Mine, M001/0027, in an amount not to exceed \$23,985.03. Thank you for consulting with me in this matter.

John T. Blake Trust Land Mineral Specialist SITLA



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From:

<Ed Ginouves@blm.gov>

To:

"Tom Munson" <tommunson@utah.gov>

Date: Subject: 1/25/2010 2:09 PM

Re: basin perlite release Attachments: 80276 Map 1(Jan 2010).pdf

Tom:

This is in response to your e-mail of 1/25/2010, requesting concurrence on a request for partial bond release for Basin Perlite's Pearl Queen Mine (DOGM LMO M/001/0027). The LMO includes State and BLM-managed lands encompassing the Pearl Queen and Schoo pits. The partial release is for adequately reclaimed or undisturbed State-managed lands.

We have no objections to the partial bond release. BLM is confident that the remaining bond amount, \$57,700, is more than adequate to cover 3rd party reclamation costs for any remaining unreclaimed disturbances on BLM and State-managed lands.

I would note that BLM's GPS survey of existing unreclaimed disturbances on BLM-managed lands, these being the Schoo Pit area, differ somewhat from the operator's estimate of 12.1 acres. Our estimate is 9.6 acres (see attached .pdf map). Without further disturbances in the Schoo Mine, this difference only serves to increase our confidence that the remaining bond will be more than adequate for the remaining disturbances.

(See attached file: 80276 Map 1(Jan 2010).pdf)

Ed Ginouves Minerals Specialist BLM - Cedar City Field Office 176 East DL Sargent Drive Cedar City, UT 84720 435-865-3040

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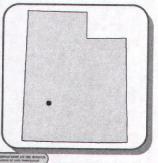
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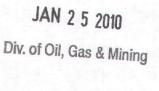
UTU-80276: Schoo Perlite Mine T. 27 S., R. 9 W., sec. 1: portions of SWSW 9.6 acres

State of Utah BLM Cedar City Field Office





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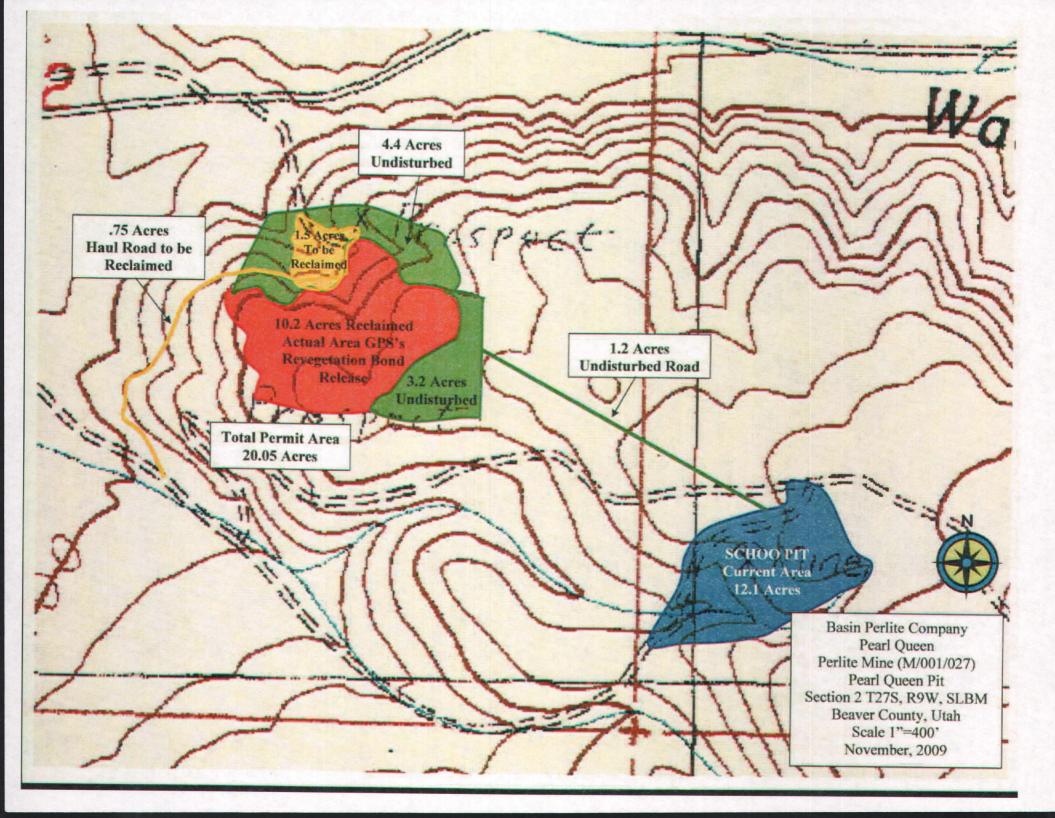
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Land ownership data is derived from less accurate data than the 1:24000 scale base map. Therefore, land ownership may not be shown for parcels smaller than 40 acres, and land ownership lines may have plotting errors due to source data.

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Mine Permit Number Moon / 2027 Mine Name PEARL QUEEN Date of FINDINGS 1-26-10 TO CONFIDENTIAL BOND CLOSURE LARGE MAPS EXPANDABLE MULTIPUL DOCUMENT TRACKING SHEET __NEW APPROVED NOI AMENDMENT OTHER YEAR-Record Number Description NOI Incoming Outgoing D Internal Superceded BOND RELEASE FINDINGS 2010-00=1 __NOI _Incoming _Outgoing \(\sum_Internal \) _Superceded BND RECEASE FINDINGS 2010-0001 NOI Incoming Outgoing Internal Superceded NOI Incoming Outgoing Internal Superceded __TEXT/ 81/2 X 11 MAP PAGES __11 X 17 MAPS __LARGE MAP COMMENTS: CC:

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